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Secretary Marlene Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th St. SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear secretary Dortch,

I'm writing to show support for the Docket # 07-16 proposal to provide free, fast broadband access to all Americans, especially because of the benefits it will bring to businesses. Without broadband access, many businesses are unable to have the best marketing capabilities and connectivity with their industry. When businesses are run more efficiently, we all benefit.

In many areas, broadband is not available at all, or not a financially viable option. Currently, just 35% of small businesses have websites. The economy depends on successful small businesses, and many could improve by becoming participants in the on-line market. With 99% of business in American being done by small businesses, the economy and local communities can benefit from more successful small and independent businesses.

Please approve the proposal by M2Z Networks to provide fast, free broadband internet access Our economy depends on businesses keeping up with the best technology available.

Regards,

CC: FCC Chairman Kevin Martin

Commissioner Copps

Commissioner Adelstein
Commissioner Tate
Commissioner McDowell
Wireless Bureau Chief Fred Campbell
U.S. Senator Robert C. Byrd
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